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Mr. Lawrence B. Sulc The Nathan Hale Institute Suite 208 422 First Street, S. E. Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Mr. Sulc,

Thank you very much for your letter of 23 June. I am more than pleased to have the opportunity to straighten out the NEWSWEEK article.

We are proud of the Nathan Hale statue on our campus and it will always be there. We are considering arranging for a statue of General Donovan in our new building. I did think about Hercules Mulligan but I can't find out enough about him and nobody seems to know what he looked like. Also, Nathan Hale covers the Revolution period beautifully and the only other one to compare with him as an intelligence officer is George Washington. Donovan is a good representative of our more recent national intelligence experience.

I am sure that I never said what NEWSWEEK attributed to me. As a matter of fact, I never even read about it until your letter came in. At the dinner when the Donovan medal was awarded to President Reagan I did say to the guests that we planned to put a statue of General Donovan in our new building. I might even have been jocular about it, but I don't remember exactly what I said. I certainly intended no reflection on an authentic and outstanding hero like Nathan Hale.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey
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